

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1 and 7 as set forth in the listing of claims that follows:

1. (Currently Amended) An indicator knob assembly adapted to cooperate with a light source to indicate the position of the knob, said knob assembly comprising:

a translucent base including an outer surface having an upper portion and a lower portion, said base defining a translucent halo section on said lower portion of said outer surface for emitting light from the base for illumination;

an appliqué element mounted on said translucent base; and

an opaque over mold mounted on said appliqué element and covering a portion of said outer surface not including said halo section.

2. (Original) An indicator knob assembly as described in claim 1 wherein said appliqué element extends to cover said halo section.

3. (Original) An indicator knob assembly as described in claim 1 wherein said opaque over mold includes a soft touch surface.

4. (Original) An indicator knob assembly as described in claim 1 wherein said appliqué element includes a daytime screening.

5. (Original) An indicator knob assembly as described in claim 1 wherein said appliqué element includes a lowlight screening.

6. (Canceled)

7. (Previously Presented) An indicator knob assembly as described in claim 1 further comprising:

a mounting panel adapted to be mounted over the light source, said lower portion of said base positioned adjacent said mounting panel;

wherein said halo section illuminates at least a portion of said mounting panel when said mounting panel is mounted over the light source.

8. (Currently Amended) An indicator knob assembly adapted for use with a light source, said indicator knob assembly comprising:

a base including an upper portion and a lower portion, said base defining a translucent halo section located on said lower portion for emitting light from the base for illumination;

an appliqué element mounted on said base and covering said halo section; and

an opaque over mold mounted on said appliqué element and covering a portion of said upper and lower portions not including said halo section.

9. (Original) An indicator knob assembly as described in claim 8 wherein said opaque over mold includes a soft touch surface.
10. (Original) An indicator knob assembly as described in claim 8 wherein said appliqué element includes a daytime screening.
11. (Original) An indicator knob assembly as described in claim 8 wherein said appliqué element includes a lowlight screening.
12. (Canceled)
13. (Currently Amended) An indicator knob assembly as described in claim 8 further comprising:
 - a mounting panel adapted to be mounted in front of the light source, said halo section of said base positioned adjacent said mounting panel;
 - wherein when said halo section emits light from the light source such that said halo section illuminates at least a portion of said mounting panel.

14. (Previously Presented) A method of displaying the position of an indicator knob comprising the steps of:

transmitting light through a translucent base of the indicator knob;
preventing light from emitting from a portion of the translucent base by covering the portion of the base with an opaque over mold; and
permitting light to emit from the base by defining a halo section in a lower portion of the translucent base not included in the covered portion of the base.

15. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 14 further comprising the step of:

screening the light emitted from the halo section by covering the halo section with an appliqué element.

16. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 14 further comprising the step of:

illuminating a portion of a mounting panel by positioning the halo section adjacent the mounting panel.